

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

SOCIETY in general is interested in the announcement by Secretary of State, Elihu Root, of the engagement of his only daughter, Miss Edith Root, to Lieutenant U. S. Grant, U. S. A., son of Major-General Frederick Dent Grant and grandson of President U. S. Grant. Miss Root is now at her father's home, Clinton, N. J. She and Lieutenant Grant have known each other for years, their acquaintance and friendship ante-dating the days of Lieutenant Grant's cadetship at West Point. Lieutenant Grant is taking a special course in engineering at the Army War College, Washington Barracks. No date has yet been given out for the wedding. Miss Root expects to accompany her father on a trip to Mexico next September.

Thanks of Committee.

The committee of arrangements for the A. D. V. A. excursion to Jamestown Island on Tuesday last desire to express, through the press, thanks to the different firms who aided them by taking charge of the sale of excursion tickets, and displaying cards relating to the excursion. They desire particularly to express their appreciation to the Old Dominion Steamship Company, to the officers of the Berkeley, to Mrs. R. T. Hunter for several cases of water used on the excursion, and to the gentlemen assisting the committee, Major B. R. Selden, Mr. Morgan Robinson and Dr. Armistead Ellis, and to the three newspapers of Richmond for generous notices announcing the purpose and date of the trip and other facts in connection with it.

Holzhaeh-Westerman.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Dora Lee Westerman to Mr. Clarence A. Holzhaeh, the wedding to be celebrated Wednesday evening, August 14th, at the First English Lutheran Church.

August at the White.

Miss Page Aylett Royall will spend the early part of August at Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs, where she will be chaperoned by Mrs. John D. Potts. Life at the White, always a favorite of Richmond people, is blossoming into August gaieties, and promises to be very enjoyable. Mrs. Garrett Wall and Mrs. Reinhardt, of New York, have opened their cottages in Virginia row. Mrs. John Enders, Mrs. E. D. Christian, Miss Helen and Miss Dorothy Christian are reported in the list of cottagers for August, and Colonel Jo Lane Stern and Mr. George Held will leave Saturday for this resort. Mr. Charles McVeigh will also spend a part of August at the White.

Mrs. Barton H. Grundy will not omit her annual visit. Miss Mary Custis Lee is enjoying the season and the company at this famous watering place, where she is the centre of much interest. Mr. and Mrs. Westmoreland Davis

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and Mrs. Perkins are scheduled to make their appearance a little later.

Belleville House Party.

Miss Royall and Miss Anne Keith Royall will attend a house party to be given the last of August by Mr. and Mrs. Allmond Blow in their country home, Belleville, on Ware River, Gloucester county. The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Blow will be the young hosts of the party.

Stay-at-Home Whist.

The Stay-at-Home Whist Club met Monday evening with Mrs. C. W. P. Brock. Four tables played, and the top score was made by Mrs. W. Trav-ers and Admiral Webster. The club will meet with Mrs. Travers, at No. 602 West Franklin Street, next week.

Personal Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Sony have left for Canada to spend the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. C. W. Tyler and Miss Helen Tyler will spend the month of August at Keswick, Va. Miss Tyler will attend the Albemarle Horse Show.

Mrs. James Lambeth, of Baltimore, formerly Miss Griffith, of Richmond, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Magie Griffith, at No. 1114 Grove Avenue.

Miss Lulu Adams Ewers, of Washington, D. C., is visiting friends in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Starke and Mrs. Barber Thompson sail next week for Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Leigh will spend a part of August at Narragansett Pier, where Mrs. Leigh will chaperone Miss Sadie Sutton.

Mrs. W. J. Johnson left Richmond Monday for Atlantic City. She was accompanied by Mrs. R. S. Archer, Miss Archer and Miss Virginia Archer. The party will be at the Wiltshire Hotel.

Mrs. Emmett P. Jones, of Crawe, Va., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Alven Reed Hawks, on West Main Street.

Mrs. John B. Newton, of Bristol, Va.,

Mrs. Newton, their children and Mr. Newton's secretary, Mr. Homer Kinsey, are making a trip in Mr. Newton's private car that will probably include a visit to Richmond and Norfolk relatives.

Miss Filippen, of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Elliott, and accompanied them to Jamestown Island on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Darnall, of Roanoke, who has been undergoing medical treatment in Richmond, has returned home. Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Taylor, of this city, have been recent guests of Judge and Mrs. U. W. Moffatt, in Salem, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Fisher and Miss Rena Fisher are spending a month at Chase City, Va.

Mrs. B. W. Graves and Mrs. S. E. Adams, of Danville, Va., are visiting Richmond friends, and will go from here to the exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Maury, of Albemarle county, are entertaining a small house party at their home, "Crowswood," this week. In the party are Colonel and Mrs. Moore and family, Miss Morrow and Miss O'Keefe.

Miss Margaret Hunter, of Mayville, Ky., who came to Richmond Monday night and went to Jamestown Island Tuesday, returned to Barton Heights yesterday, where she is the guest of Mrs. E. L. Roden.

WILL NOT APPEAL.

Rev. A. E. Edwards Satisfied with Judge Grinnon's Ruling.

In a signed statement concerning the report that he would oppose Judge Grinnon's ruling on his expulsion by majority vote from the pastorate of the Fifth Street Baptist Church (colored) Rev. A. E. Edwards denies that he will take an appeal, and says that he is perfectly satisfied with the action of the court. He declares, however, that the meeting which resulted in his expulsion was not a regular Baptist business meeting.

YOUNG WOMAN WHO AGREED TO BE PUT UNDER GROUND



MISS FLORENCE GIBSON.

PRETTY GIRL BURIED ALIVE FOR WEEK

Hindoo Hypnotist Puts Miss Florence Gibson Under Somnolent Spell.

YOUNG WOMAN IN PLAIN VIEW

After Placing Her Under Hypnotic Influence, She is Sealed in a Casket.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 31.—Omar Sami, a conjurer and hypnotist from the Far East, who says he has "buried alive" more than fifty persons, has placed Miss Florence Gibson, one of the prettiest girls of Riverside, a bay-side village near here, under his spell. Miss Gibson rests smilingly and motionless under about six feet of earth in the summer excursion grounds of Vanity Fair, after having been "buried alive" since last Friday.

Omar says Miss Gibson has passed absolutely and completely under his control, and that she will remain so until he releases her from the spell under which she is unconscious. At the end of a full week, or next Friday, Miss Gibson will be resuscitated, and in the meantime her very prepossessing features are to be seen through a funnel-shaped tube which extends from the "coffin," in which she rests, to a few feet above the surface of the ground.

All the arrangements are well calculated to furnish the many thousands of curious excursionists the fullest opportunity to take a view of the pretty and buxom girl who helps to make up the mystery of the strange seaside show.

A goodly sized tent covers the plot in which the temporary grave of Miss Gibson is located. This is designed to keep the place cool and comfortable and the ground so that the fair subject will not suffer physically while in the ground, explains Omar.

Miss Gibson has been preparing for the part she is now unconsciously playing for some time, but when she appeared before Omar to pass under his hypnotic hand she was visibly nervous, and many of the spectators expressed the opinion that she looked as though she would like to cancel her engagement.

Casket Was Sealed.

In full view of several thousand excursionists, Miss Gibson sat in the open air, and Omar, seated on a platform, Omar deftly passed his hands over her features. She was soon like a tired young child passing off to a nightly rest. Then she became motionless, and into a coffin which has been the wonder of Vanity Fair sightseers for several days she was lowered.

Soon the casket was sealed carefully. Then there was the procession from the dais to the tented burial place, and the great crowd scrambled along to see it all.

It is a slow process for a multitude to see the beauty "buried alive," and that is one reason advanced for keeping Miss Gibson there as long as a week.

OFFICER HAS TO FIGHT.

Man and Woman Finally Surrender.

After a terrific fight with Charles Kittredge and his sister, Mrs. Jenny Dunn, Sergeant Tyler yesterday morning succeeded in landing both behind the bars of the First Police Station.

Sergeant Tyler was called to the store of J. O. Malmon, where he told him that Kittredge was threatening to kill him. The Sergeant went up to the floor occupied by Kittredge, and found him with a knife in his hand. Kittredge resisted, and his sister engaged in the fight in his behalf. They all finally rolled downstairs, where Police Sergeant Samuels took charge of the woman, and Sergeant Tyler held the man until the arrival of the patrol wagon.

NEARLY DROWNED.

William Wyatt, Twelve-Year-Old Boy, Has Narrow Escape.

William Wyatt, a twelve-year-old boy, of South Belvidere Street, had a narrow escape from drowning yesterday morning, when he was thrown suddenly and unexpectedly into the water from a springboard at the dock near the bridge leading to Belle Isle. His clothes weighed him down so that he could not swim, and he was sinking for the last time when rescued by a fisherman named Knowler, who grabbed him by the neck and swam ashore with him. The rescuer had some difficulty in restoring the boy to consciousness, but he was finally brought home.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

John Berkely Is Seen Trying to Enter Window.

John Berkely appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of attempted housebreaking, and was put under heavy security for six months. The police were directed to investigate his case.

Berkely, it is alleged, was seen the afternoon before trying to raise the window of the house occupied by Mrs. Eadie, in Fairmount. Two small boys informed Policeman Kellum, and the officer found the negro lying down behind the stable, and put him under arrest.

PREPARE FOR NEGRO DAY.

Committee Arranges for \$1.50 Fare to Exposition on August 14th.

W. Isaac Johnson, president of the Negro Development and Exposition Company, and R. T. Izell, cashier of

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the Reformers' Bank, an especially appointed committee to perfect arrangements for Richmond Negro Day at the exposition, have secured from the Chesapeake and Ohio and the Norfolk and Western Railroads a \$1.50 round trip fare for the day, August 14th. They were assured that the railroads would handle the crowds satisfactorily.

D. Webster Davis lecturer for the day. President Maggie L. Walker, of the St. Luke Penny Savings Bank, will also speak. In a meeting held Tuesday night various committees were appointed to cover the different phases of the work.

Braden-Ball.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LEBESBURG, VA., July 31.—Miss Mary Lynn Ball, daughter of J. L. Ball, of Hamilton, and Oscar Braden, son of Walter Braden, of Loudoun county, were married this morning at 10 o'clock in St. James Episcopal Church at Hamilton, the pastor, Rev. S. Roger Tyler, officiating. The best man was Albert V. Braden, and the maid of honor Miss Bessie Ball, of Leesburg. The bride was given away by her brother, Garnett Ball, of Hamilton. The ushers were Messrs. William Francis and Robert Janney McCray. After the ceremony an informal reception, Mr. and Mrs. Braden left for an extended bridal tour.



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Five Witnesses Examined Yesterday, and More Come To-Day.

OBSERVE MUCH SECRECY

Citizens and Men Connected With Alleged Combination on the Stand.

The grand jury in the Hustings Court again grappled with the so-called ice trust for several hours yesterday, and will take up the inquiry again this morning, when other witnesses will be put on the stand or the rack, as the case may be. Several important witnesses are said to be away from the city. Those within reach of the court will be asked to explain certain facts bearing on the alleged combination.

Five witnesses spent more or less time in the jury room before adjournment was taken for the day. They were W. S. Forbes, William C. Schmidt, Carol Taylor, bookkeeper for the Crystal Ice Company; Stanley B. Tyler, secretary of the A. D. Landmark Company and the Richmond Ice Company, and Ernest Pilout.

Though some of those summoned heretofore have been inclined to talk before being examined, they are remarkably silent when they leave the inquisition room. This is accepted to mean that the grand jury is demanding silence. No statement of any kind regarding the nature of the examination can be obtained, other than to the work accomplished or the time required to complete the investigation.

CASE GOES OVER.

Court Still Considering Important Points Involved in Gordon Appeal.

Mr. James R. Gordon's appeal from the Police Court, where he was fined for not obeying the instructions of a conductor as to seats to be occupied by white passengers on the street cars, was not settled in the Hustings Court yesterday. After evidence had been submitted to a jury last week counsel for Mr. Gordon sent up certain instructions to the court to be transmitted to the jury, but Judge Witt adjourned the case in order to investigate the law more thoroughly. As stated heretofore, the most important of the instructions was with reference to the meaning of the word "designate" and the point was raised by the defense that the seats for white and colored people must be plainly marked with signs.

Commonwealth's Attorney Folkes did not take this view of the case, contending that while there was a general law the conductors had to exercise their own discretion in designating seats to be occupied by white and colored passengers. It is admitted that the question is one of very great importance, and for that reason the court is not disposed to decide it without due and deliberate consideration.

MINOR CASES.

Wife-Beater, Delinquent Collector and Thief Sent to Jail.

Frank Hill (colored), charged with cursing and abusing his employer, appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of wife-beating. He could not pay the fine, and went back to the pen.

Frank Crawford, charged with beating his wife, was sent to jail for sixty days yesterday morning from the Police Court. Crawford made a loud protest against his going to jail, and the protest brought a double punishment.

John Thomas, charged with collecting money from Sigourney & Fadin and not returning the same, was fined for four months. He did not deny having collected \$18.66, but said that he had been ill and could not return the money. He said that he had lost it in the meanwhile.

Virginia Emanuel and Victoria Lee, both colored, were yesterday morning fined \$2.50 for fighting and cursing each other the night before. It seems that Victoria Lee was sent to jail, and that Virginia is a waitress and that she refused to pay for a ten-cent meal she had ordered. This brought about a fight in which Victoria was injured, and she had a true love to pay her fine, and the other had to go to jail.

THREE FIRES YESTERDAY.

Chief Shaw Much Worried on Account of Unnecessary Calls.

The dwelling of H. Bades, of No. 1020 Eggleston Street, was threatened with destruction at an early hour yesterday morning, and only his prompt work of the Fire Department saved it. When the engine arrived the place was in a bright blaze. The house, a two-story frame structure, was fully covered by insurance. Occupants of the house escaped injury.

Shortly before noon yesterday another alarm was turned in from No. 345, Fourth and Clay Streets, where a stove pipe in the rear of No. 519 North Third Street, had fallen down and ignited a building of clothing and nearby. The Fire Department answered the call promptly, and little loss resulted. The damage was estimated at \$10.

A third alarm came in before 2 o'clock and the department was called to Thirty-fourth and Leigh Streets, where a dump was on fire. The dam-

age amounted to nothing, but the expense in answering the call was about \$10. Chief Shaw has been much worried of late by alarms turned in from dump piles, which could easily have been extinguished by a bucket of water.

DECK IN NEW OFFICE.

Fontaine Jones Succeeds Him in Engineering Department.

Mr. Henry P. Beck, heretofore assistant city engineer, will take charge of his new duties as building inspector to-day. Mr. Fontaine Jones, who to-day becomes third assistant to the City Engineer, is a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute, and has had eight years of practical experience as a civil engineer. He is a son of Mr. Thos. Cates Jones, of this city, and a grandson of Col. Edmund Fontaine, who was for twenty-five years president of the old Virginia Central Railroad, and the master of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.

Aid Fire Sufferers.

The Relief Committee of Mt. Olivet, Mt. Tabor and Abury colored churches have distributed among the sufferers in the recent fire on North Twenty-fifth Street \$100, besides clothing and other necessities. The committee will meet again Tuesday night to make a final distribution.

GOOD ATTENDANCE AT NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY

People Much Interested in Work, and Future of Enterprise Seems Bright.

The Neighborhood Library, at No. 821 1/2 Avenue, has grown considerably in the last few weeks, the public having manifested much interest in the success of the enterprise.

Donations of books have come in from the following persons, and are gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Joseph Bryan, Mr. A. R. Plank, Gentry, Ark; Miss Cora Harrison, Miss Smith, Mrs. E. E. Smith, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Bon Air; Miss Hattie Reid, Miss Mamie Baughman, Mrs. O'Keefe, Miss Courtney (second donation), Mrs. Lela E. Pringle (second donation), Mrs. Leroy Hutzler, Mrs. Richard Maury, Mrs. Ernest Chalkley, Mrs. Wirt Taylor, Mrs. John T. Goddin, Mrs. Thomas S. Book.

The library has been in existence only one month, and there have been present 131 children, and 130 books have been taken out. Miss Adele Corling and Miss Nellie V. Williams, who are in charge of the work, are greatly encouraged, and hope there is a bright future for the Neighborhood Library.

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